

**CONSECUTIVE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM EXEMPTION APPLICATION and CERTIFICATION FORM**

**SECTION A**

1. Applicant (Owner of the Consecutive water system):

Mailing Address of Applicant:

Telephone: ( )

2. Name of Consecutive Water System:

Water System ID # (WSID):

3. Applicant affirms that the Consecutive Water System:

- a. Consists only of distribution and storage facilities and does not have any collection and treatment facilities;
- b. Obtains all of its water from a public water system, but is not owned or operated by a public water system;
- c. Does not engage in the sale of water to any person (see definition of "sale" under instructions on page 2);
- d. Is not a carrier which conveys passengers in interstate commerce; and
- e. Serves less than 500 persons.

4. **Consecutive Water System Owner Certification:** I hereby certify that 1) the above information in Section A is correct; 2) the Consecutive Water System meets all of the exemption criteria in #3 above; and 3) I will notify the Water Supply Division when the system ceases to comply with any or all of the criteria.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print or Type Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION B**

1. Name of Wholesale Public Water System (Supplier):

Water System ID#(WSID):

Name of Owner of Wholesale Water System:

Telephone: ( )

2. (a) The Wholesale Water System certifies that the Owner of the Consecutive Water System is responsible for the repair and maintenance of the Consecutive System unless otherwise agreed to by the Wholesale System.

(b) The Wholesale Water System supplying water to the Consecutive Water System is responsible for and must comply with all of the following:

- a. Including the Consecutive Water System in its water quality sampling plans;
- b. Providing consumer confidence reports to the Consecutive Water System's users; and
- c. Issuing public notice to the Consecutive Water System's users if a violation of a drinking water contaminant standard exists or if the ANR secretary determines that a condition exists that may present a risk to public health.

(c) The Wholesale Water System has included a written description of the changes to its sampling plan with this application for review and approval by the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division.

3. **Wholesale Water System Owner Certification:** I hereby certify that 1) the above information in Section B is correct; 2) the Wholesale System meets all of the criteria in #2 above; and 3) I will notify the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division when the system ceases to comply with any or all of the criteria.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print or Type Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONSECUTIVE APPLICANT AND WHOLESALE WATER SYSTEM

### **SECTION A - to be completed by the Consecutive (receiving) Public Water System** applying for exempt status

1. Applicant - The applicant must be the owner of the water system. An owner is the individual or entity that is legally and financially responsible for the water system. An owner may be a municipality, fire district, homeowner's association or similar entity, or may be an individual.
2. List the name of the Consecutive Water System and WSID #.
3. Exemption criteria - To qualify for the exemption, the consecutive water system must meet all of the criteria in this section. The definition of selling for purposes of this law and subdivision 203(3) of Title 30 Public Service, a "sale" of water does not occur when:
  - a. the rate charged to the consumer by the receiving water system is the same as the rate charged by the public water system for supplying water to the receiving water system; and
  - b. the receiving water system follows the uniform water and sewer disconnect requirements of chapter 129 of Title 24, (Municipal and County Government disconnection revisions); except that section 5147 of Title 24 shall not apply and appeals shall be governed by the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure.
4. Signature –Section A of the application must be signed by the owner of the consecutive water system applying for exempt status to certify that the consecutive system meets the exemption criteria

### **SECTION B - is to be completed by the Wholesale (supplies water) Public Water System**

1. List name of wholesale public water system, WSID number and owner
2. (a) For the Consecutive System to qualify for the exemption, the Wholesale Water System must certify that the Consecutive System has responsibility for maintenance and repair of the consecutive system unless otherwise agreed to by the wholesale and consecutive systems.

(b) The wholesale systems must include the Consecutive Water System in its water quality sampling plans (if they do not already) for contaminants including total coliform bacteria, lead and copper (any Tier 1 or 2 sites), and disinfection by-products (DBPs). This does not mean the wholesale system must sample for all of these contaminants in the consecutive system, but needs to include the consecutive system in its overall sampling plans. For example, the wholesale system may include a total coliform bacteriological sample periodically from the consecutive system, must include any Tier 1 or 2 sites under the lead and copper rule, and may need to change their sampling location for DBPs if the consecutive system represents a maximum residence time location. The wholesale system needs to submit in writing that they have considered the consecutive system in its sampling plans and include any proposed changes to its sampling plans which will be reviewed and approved by Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division staff.
3. Signature – Section B of the application must be signed by the owner of the Wholesale Water System supplying water to the Consecutive System.

**Submittal:** Mail the completed and signed form and modified sampling plan information to:  
Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation  
Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division  
1 National Life Drive, 2 Main, Montpelier, VT 05620-3521  
Attn: Jean Nicolai, Operations and Compliance Section Chief

Contact the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division at 802-241-3400 or toll free in Vermont at (800) 823-6500 with any questions regarding this form.

This application and related environmental information are available electronically via the internet. For information visit us through the Vermont Homepage at <http://www.vermont.gov> or visit VT WSD directly at <http://www.vermontdrinkingwater.org>

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